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1. ARTICLE 124 MADE FLIGHT NUMBER EIGHT 24 JAN 63. DURATION ONE HOUR AND THIRTY-SIX MINUTES. GROSS WEIGHT 85,000 POUNDS, CG 20.6 PERCENT. MAXIMUM SPEED M1.25, MAXIMUM ALTITUDE 40,000 FEET. THIS WAS FIRST FLIGHT FOR OUR PILOT LON WALTERS; INSTRUCTOR PILOT WAS BILL PARK.

2. WALTERS REPORTS THAT PREFLIGHT, PERSONAL EQUIPMENT SERVICES, CHECK LIST, ETC WERE SATISFACTORY. ALSO STATED VISIBILITY WAS SATISFACTORY AND STEERING AND BRAKES FELT GOOD.

3. TAKEOFF WAS MADE IN AB AND ACCELERATION FELT GOOD. ACFT WAS CLIMBED TO 30,000 FEET AT 300 KEAS AND THEN SLOWED TO 170 KEAS AT WHICH TIME FLIGHT WITHOUT DAMPERS WAS DEMONSTRATED. THE LANDING GEAR WAS ALSO CYCLED. ACFT WAS THEN CLIMBED TO 40,000 AND ACCELERATED TO M1.25. DESCENT THEN MADE TO 10,000 FEET FOLLOWED BY A SINGLE AB CLIMB TO 30,000 FEET TO CHECK ASSYMETRIC POWER CHARACTERISTICS.

4. THE FLIGHT WAS FOLLOWED BY 4 TOUCH AND GOES AND A NORMAL

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LANDING. DRAG CHUTE DEPLOYED NORMALLY AND BRAKES FELT SOLID. WALTERS ALSO REPORTS THAT LOW SPEED AND LANDING CHARACTERISTICS ARE EXCELLENT.

5. BOTH 123 AND 124 ARE SCHEDULED FOR FLIGHTS TOMORROW, 25 JAN 63.

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